



***FIRST RESPONDERS: FUNDING FOR FIRST RESPONDERS
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OVER 1,000 PERCENT SINCE FY2001***

Funding for first responders has increased over 1,000 percent since FY 2001. When combined, appropriated and requested funds total over \$20 billion since 2001.

The Homeland Security Act of 2002 designated the Office for Domestic Preparedness the lead federal agency responsible for assisting state and local governments with terrorism preparedness. In addition, there are several federal grant programs outside the Department of Homeland Security awarding First Responder-related grants.

The Office for Domestic Preparedness was transferred from the Justice Department to the Border and Transportation Security Directorate during the creation of the new Department of Homeland Security. The majority of the law enforcement grants to states are allocated through the Office of Justice Programs at the Department of Justice. Bioterrorism Preparedness grants are administered by the Department of Health and Human Services. Both the Transportation Security Administration and Environmental Protection Agency provide grants to First Responders to assist with critical infrastructure protection.

Department of Homeland Security Grants

- Office for Domestic Preparedness Homeland Security Grants
- Assistance to Firefighters Program
- Emergency Management Planning and Assistance Account
- **Total DHS Funding Since 2001: \$10,014,000,000**

Department of Justice Grants

- Local Law Enforcement Block Grants
- Byrne Memorial Formula Program
- Community-Oriented Policing Services
- Justice Assistance Grants
- **Total DOJ Funding Since 2001: \$5,092,000,000**

Department of Health and Human Services Grants

- Public Health and Bioterrorism Preparedness
- Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness
- Metropolitan Medical Response System
- **Total HHS Funding Since 2001: \$4,093,000,000**

Other First Responder Grants

- Port Security Grants (TSA)
- Aviation Security Grants (TSA)
- Water Security Assistance (EPA)
- Hazardous Materials Assistance (RSPA)
- **Total Funding: \$1,133,000,000**

Total First Responder Funding since 2001: \$20,000,000,000

Source: Congressional Research Service